

## PROPAGANDA TO CONTINUE WAR ON BUREAU'S WORK

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The efforts of thousands of war-time office holders in Washington to impress upon the legislative leaders the necessity for continuing the bureau in which they are employed, although a state of peace has existed for more than half a year, is proving to be one of the greatest sources of annoyance to those Republican members of Congress who are intent upon reducing taxation. At least two of these Republicans have expressed themselves upon the subject upon the floors of Congress, and Senator Gronna, of North Dakota, has suggested that the whole matter should be turned over to a commission which could report to Congress and enable it to make a clean sweep of superfluous bureaus and employees.

"Just on one small item in the agricultural appropriation bill," said Mr. Gronna, who is chairman of the Senate Agricultural Committee, "I have had at least one hundred of the employees of the affected bureau come to my office to urge not only a continuation of the work, but also a greatly enlarged appropriation for its expansion. I think this matter of placing the executive branch of the government on a peace basis should be turned over to a commission which could do the work thoroughly."

Representative Fess, of Ohio, revealed even greater annoyances on the House side of the Capitol. He said:

### Many Agencies

"During the war there sprung up many agencies which gave great assistance to the war machine, and they seemed to do—and probably did—such good work in the conduct of the war that now when the war is over they are insisting upon continuing, and are enlisting all possible influences to impress the public with the tremendous importance of their activities. My office is, as is yours, besieged every day by young and old, by people in office and out of office, by persons in Washington and out of Washington, by personal visitation and by letter and telegram, declaring that if we do not continue this agency and that agency we are going to turn the clock of progress backwards."

"Every member has been told that a refusal proves that he is not willing to be as progressive as was suggested by the needs of the war. Many of these agencies are conducting systematic propaganda which is now running at high speed. But in the light of the fabulous drain upon the treasury, which reaches over \$1,000,000,000 per month, our first duty is to use the knife. That duty is more imperative and even more important than expedition in legislation."

### The Housing Commission

One of the bureaus which has made the most desperate efforts in this direction is the Housing Commission, which has already cost the country about \$70,000,000, without, in the opinion of many members of Congress, having accomplished good commensurate with the vast outlay of money. Chairman Langley of the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds has brought the future of this particular commission to a crisis by introducing a resolution providing for a special investigation of its activities and expenditures. Even though the investigation should not be undertaken, it is practically certain that the commission will be cut short of funds on July 1 and thus forced to pass into history.

The Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds recently inquired into the expenditures of the commission and concluded that, out of the \$100,000,000 appropriated for housing, there should be on hand an unexpended balance of \$40,000,000. The commission, however, says it has only \$32,000,000 on hand, and Chairman Langley proposes to find out what has become of the \$8,000,000 which the commission has not accounted for. In addition to this disparity, Mr. Langley is anxious to get information as to the activities of the commission in Bethlehem, Pa.,

## EMBARRASSING MOMENTS

I had just finished my Sunday forenoon sermon on a rather warm day when an elder advised me that one of our dear sisters in the church had died. I had hardly been so advised when Mr. T— stepped up on the rostrum and, presenting a marriage license, asked me to perform the marriage ceremony. As Miss C—, the bride-to-be, was present, I consented, and proceeded to make the announcement to the audience; but by a slip of mind, I announced that Mr. O— and Miss C— were present and if the audience would be indulgent a few minutes, I would preach their funeral sermons. Noticing the deplorable mistake I had made, a cold sweat enveloped me. I took out my handkerchief from my pocket to wipe the perspiration from my face, and, nervously fumbling it, unthinkingly spread it out to full view, and there was a hole through its center as big as your fist. To say it was embarrassing is putting it mildly.

## HUMAN NATURE

"Old Riley Rezzidew and old Bruce Boghorn have for years vigorously contended, rain or shine, as you might say, that this is the dullest, dearest most non-progressive dad-blasted old town in seven states, infested by the confoundest lot of bores, gossips, backbiters and deadbeats that ever cumbered the earth," related the landlord of the Petunia Tavern. "And now they are out in front there, yelling at Tobe Tucker, who has been away for twenty years, trying to convince him that this is the brightest, liveliest and most up-to-date little city anywhere on the map, filled with the finest people the sun ever shone on. And because Tobe argues that the place where he has been had some points of superiority over all others—though probably while he was there he would not admit it—they are mad enough, by crickets, to fall upon him and rend him to pieces. They seem to think that while they are privileged to abuse the old home town all they darn please, an outsider hasn't a right to do anything but praise it."

## HE COULD

They were standing at the window of their new cottage, gazing out over the attractive stretch of landscape that presented itself to view. "Dearest," asked the young wife, "can you think of anything that might add to the attractiveness of our vista?" "I don't know," replied the brute. "Unless you might wash the windows."

## SHE APPROVED

"Oh, Charlie, dear," cried young Mrs. Fisher, looking up from the paper she was reading, "isn't this lovely?" It says here that some of the politicians want to efface all party lines."

"Yes, they do," replied Fisher. "Well, I certainly hope they succeed in doing it," went on the bride enthusiastically. "Having your telephone ring every time a neighbor has a call is just a perfect nuisance."

## CORRECT

"Johnny," said the teacher, "if the speaking at a banquet began at eight o'clock and there were five speakers, and each speaker was told to speak for fifteen minutes, at what time would the speaking be over?" "About half past 12," replied little Johnny.

## BOO-HOO!

They're always mad, they never kiss, Her married life she will bewail; She knew that ignorance was bliss, And yet she opened Hubby's mail.

He: "We'll get married soon, won't we, dear?" She: "Yes, but not at the same time."

where it is alleged it has expended \$3,000,000 without having completed a single building.

## KAYENTA NEWS

W. Reed returned from purchasing horses June 16 for use of the summer tourists.

J. Wetheril started for Bluff June 17 with team and jack outfit to meet the Gleeson tourist party from Boston, Mass. He returned with the party on June 24, having visited the Monuments en route. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Gleeson, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Emerson, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hornsden and daughter Monica. Mr. Gleeson is national park inspector under Secretary Lane. Besides inspecting the national parks he is looking up the good roads movement, especially with reference to the Monumental Highway. Mr. Emerson is a civil engineer, having been employed in constructing of subways in Boston for some years. The party, with the exception of Mrs. Gleeson, started on for Navajo Mountain from here June 25; but Mr. Gleeson became violently ill on account of the heat and had to turn back. The rest of the party, including W. M. Day, of Gallup, continued up Segi Canyon to the ancient cliff ruins of Betatakin and Keetseel, when they too abandoned the trip, returning to Kayenta the 28th, with the intention of coming back when the cooler weather comes. The party went on to Chin Lee on June 29. All think this a grand country; and a lady of the party who had visited the Alps said the scenery here was grander than in the Old World. Probably they will return and take up apartments in the community apartment house at the ancient city of Keetseel.

George F. Thompson and Wm. A. Day arrived from Gallup with autos June 25, taking the Gleeson party back with them on their return June 29. Mr. Thompson hails from Los Angeles, having just been mustered out of the army from overseas. He did not look like the Huns got much the best of him.

From June 18 to 30 Josiah Bridge and E. M. Butterworth, of Berkeley, Cal., in company with W. M. Reed as guide have been doing oil prospecting work in the Goodrich formation, areas cropping out along the San Juan river, making their headquarters here. On completing their work Mr. Reed started for Bluff, Utah, with Mr. Bridge the first of the week, Mr. Bridge expecting to do research work in the vicinity of Durango, Colo., as his next assignment.

Venress Wade is spending the summer at the home of his aunt, Mrs. John Wetheril.

John Straus is wrapping the government thermometer in ice these days, it has a bad case of "temperature," registering as high as 103.

The Indians are working over time trying to clear land to use the water from the Marsh Pass project.

The Marsh Pass school has just completed fencing an additional twenty acres of land; also a quota of 1,500 posts has just been purchased of the Indians at 25 cents per post.

On June 17 Winfield S. Beard and wife and children of Flagstaff, Ariz., brought Mrs. A. B. Reagan and Mrs. J. Buckbee and daughter Harriett home from Tuba City in the mail truck, leaving June 18 after taking a view of the "Top of the World," which they enjoyed immensely.

June 18 Sister Wetheril started overland with pack horse for Mancoas on a visiting trip among relatives.

On June 20 Mr. Straus with his wife and Billie and the white mules returned from Tuba City.

Mr. Middleton passed through here on June 20, on his way to Farmington via John Wade's trading post, on the San Juan. He had accumulated a huge quantity of tan and considerable flesh while in these parts.

## CUTTING IT SHORT

"Don't be so long-winded in your reports as you have been in the past," said the manager of the "Wild West" railway, to his overseer. "Just report the condition of the track as you find it, and don't put in a lot of needless words that are not to the point. Write a business letter, not a love letter."

A few days later the railway line was badly flooded, and the overseer wrote his report to the manager in one line, thusly:

"Sir: Where the railway was, the river is. Overseer."

## INSTRUCTING GRANDPA

"I was talking to my little granddaughter over the telephone the other day," said an old man recently to a few of his friends at a hotel, "and when I ended I said, 'Here, Dorothy, is a kiss for you.' She replied, 'Oh, pshaw, grandpa! Don't you know that a kiss over the telephone is like a straw hat?' I said, 'Why, no, sweetheart, how's that?' 'It's not felt, grandpa,' she said."

## WHAT'S BRED IN THE BONE

During his recent visit to the coast a member of a reception committee asked Secretary of War Baker if it were true that the Germans were hissing American troops doing duty in Germany.

"It is true," replied the secretary. "But don't be alarmed. The government has decided that it's just an instance where the goose-step has gone to their heads."

## CASUISTRY OF 1919

"The ancients disputed how many angels could dance on the point of a needle."

"That's nothing. How many could dance on the Fourteen Points?"

## HEAVENLY HARMONY

The Rev. Mark Guy Pearse says that if there really are harps in heaven, he would rather have pianos. For our part, what he desire there is the German banned.

## MOSQUITOES

Mickie: "Did you ever see mosquitoes so bad and so fierce as these are?"

Junko: "Indeed, I have. I was sitting on a sand bar on the edge of a little creek down in Arkansas when I heard a buzzing, kind of whizzing noise behind me; and on looking around, there were myriads of mosquitoes with their bills stuck in the sand as they whirled round and round to sharpen them. I tell you I moved on, and quickly, too."

Bingowun: "Oh, that's nothing. Down in Louisiana the mosquitoes corner a cow and, holding her, ring the cow-bell at her neck to get the calf to come up so they can saber him."

Kinky: "You have quite a henery and lots of eggs, I presume."

Jakey: "Yes, I have eaten so many eggs this spring that I have got fine feathers on my feet."

## SOME PROFIT

A man got a prescription filled at our drug store and asked the drug-how much the charge was.

"Seventy-five cents," was the reply. Hearing only the "five cents" part of the reply, the man threw down a nickel and, as his car was coming, he rushed out and boarded it. The drug-gist "hallooed" after him and then, seeing he was out of reach, put the nickel in his pocket and exclaimed:

"Oh, well, I made three cents, anyway."

## OH!

"Why don't you do as I told you?" asked the specialist. "I told you that you must not smoke after a hearty meal, yet you admit that you have smoked after every meal since you were here last."

"Well, what about it?" replied the patient, "I live in a boarding house."

## ON THE DEAD BROKE LINE

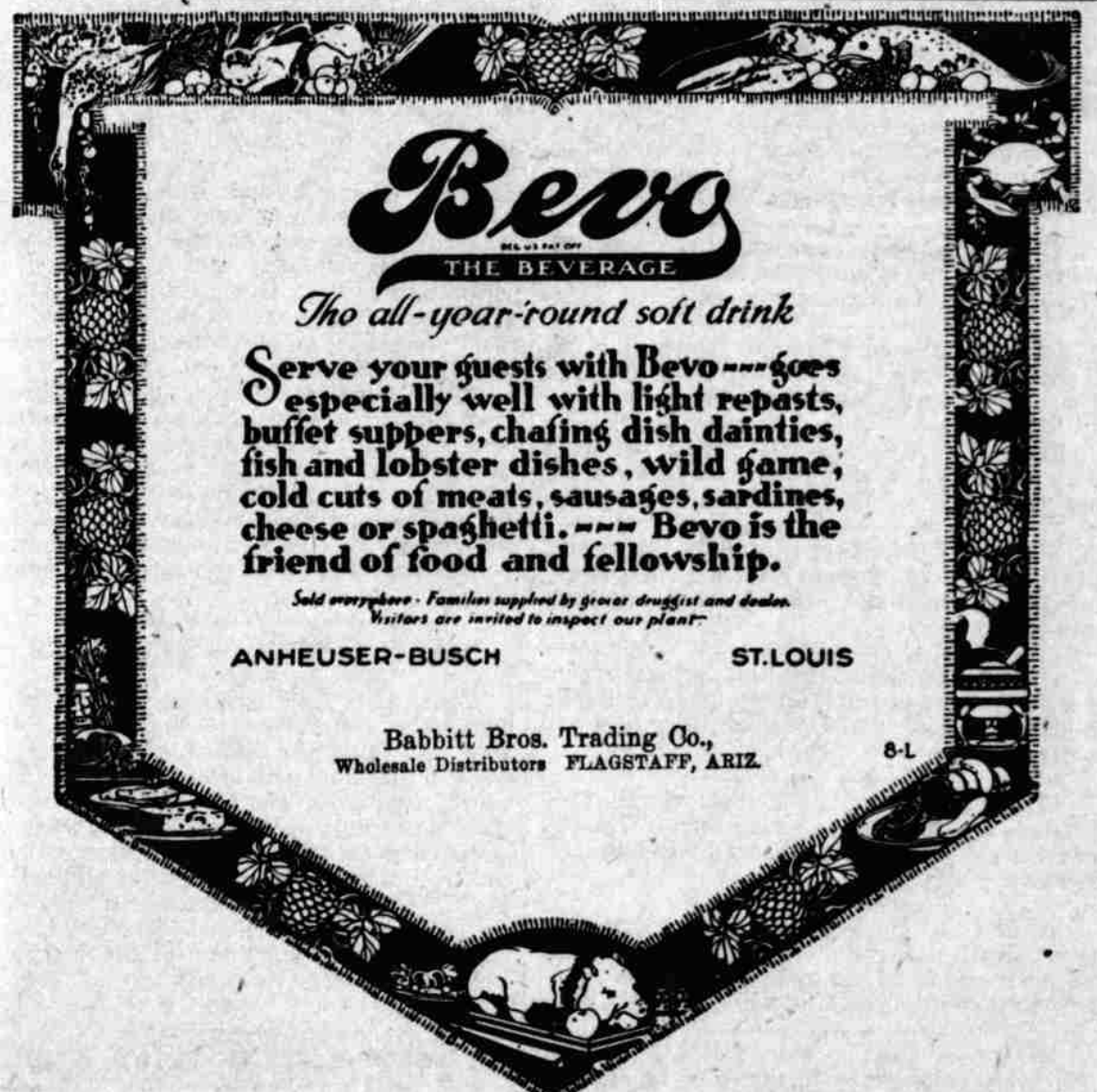
Kibbs: "Mr. Squibbs, I wish to sell you an automobile."

Squibbs: "My friend, I can not buy one at all. If butterfly wings were worth only ten cents per thousand pair, I would be unable to buy a single wing."

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